



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Rodney L. Miller, et al

Group Art Unit: 2853

Examiner: Alfred E. Dudding

**METHOD AND APPARATUS OF  
OPTIMIZING DISCRETE DROP  
VOLUMES FOR MULTIDROP  
CAPABLE INKJET PRINTERS**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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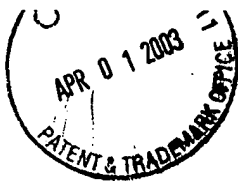
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Sir:

**BEST AVAILABLE COPY****AMENDMENT**

This amendment is in response to an office action dated February 13,  
2003. Kindly amend the application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the following claims:

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1. (Twice Amended) An ink jet printer apparatus for printing an image on a receiver medium comprising:

- at least one nozzle connected to a supply of ink and movable relative to the receiver medium during a print pass;
- a controller, responsive to image data representing the image and to a first signal related to receiver media type and to a second signal related to ink type and to a third signal related to printing resolution, for generating a respective fourth signal for determining for said one nozzle an ink drop volume to be deposited at each of plural pixel locations on the receiver medium by that said one nozzle during said print

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